

**State of Alaska**  
**FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Public Safety**  
**Prisoner Transportation**  
**Component Budget Summary**

## **Component: Prisoner Transportation**

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### **Component Mission**

The mission of the Division of Alaska State Troopers is to preserve the public peace and to protect life and property.

### **Component Services Provided**

The Prisoner Transportation component makes available a central funding source for moving state-charged prisoners including those prisoners which require pre-arraignment and post-arraignment escort, as well as transfer of convicted prisoners between in-state facilities and out-of-state prisons. The transports are required by the Court System (ACS), the Department of Corrections (DOC) and the Department of Law (DOL). Public Safety provides these services through the coordination of the travel of state and municipal police officers, Court Services Officers, and DOC. DOC conducts moves only for transfers between institutions when it is cost-effective to use its own personnel.

### **Component Goals and Strategies**

The goal of the Prisoner Transportation component is to move prisoners safely and securely so that they arrive at court when needed. This is accomplished by working with the Department of Corrections to reduce travel costs whenever possible. The movements of prisoners are coordinated in an effort to use available staff with fewest trips possible to achieve overall transport requirements.

### **Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003**

In August of 2001 a new courthouse opened in Fairbanks. This addition to the court facilities will increase the number of prisoners brought to the Court. In Spring 2002 a new jail opens in Anchorage. This new jail will add 300 beds above what is currently available at Sixth Avenue Correctional Center. There will undoubtedly be an increase in the prisoner transports in Anchorage and around the State as these beds are used to ease overcrowding at other locations. There has been an increase in the number of prisoners being moved between Alaska and Arizona where Alaska has contracted for space. Prisoner transportation costs continue to increase with the rise in air and ground transportation costs. The increases in transportation costs are compounded by the increase in the number of prisoners. The Department of Public Safety (DPS) has implemented all possible cost saving procedures; however, most of these costs are out of our control, such as higher air transportation costs associated with fuel prices.

The transporting of the prisoners are made at the direction of the Court System and the Department of Corrections (DOC); DPS can only attempt to manage, but cannot control costs. DOC is under the court-ordered mandate to limit the number of inmates at all institutions, which sometimes requires DPS to help balance the inmate population among different institutions. Overtime spent transporting prisoners since FY99 has increased; 21% in Fairbanks, 25% in Palmer, 80% in Ketchikan, 165% in Anchorage, and 200% in Juneau.

### **Major Component Accomplishments in 2001**

The Alaska State Troopers moved 43,904 prisoners with 0 escapes; 93% percent of the moves made were within the time frame needed. The number of prisoner moves has increased 11% over FY00 and 23% over FY99.

### **Statutory and Regulatory Authority**

- 1) Judicial Services duties (AS 22.20.100)
- 2) Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 & 081)

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Component Financial Summary**

*All dollars in thousands*

	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	1,401.9	1,401.7	1,335.8
73000 Contractual	181.2	65.0	245.9
74000 Supplies	14.7	10.0	10.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>1,597.8</b>	<b>1,476.7</b>	<b>1,591.7</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1003 General Fund Match	30.6	0.0	0.0
1004 General Fund Receipts	1,523.9	1,476.7	1,546.7
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	43.3	0.0	45.0
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>1,597.8</b>	<b>1,476.7</b>	<b>1,591.7</b>

**Estimated Revenue Collections**

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2002 Cash Estimate	FY2003 Governor	FY2004 Forecast
<b>Unrestricted Revenues</b>						
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Restricted Revenues</b>						
Interagency Receipts	51015	43.3	0.0	45.0	45.0	45.0
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>43.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>43.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>

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**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003**

The FY2003 Governor's budget includes additional funding to maintain current levels of service, and to provide critically needed funding for anticipated, mandatory prisoner transport requests.

**Summary of Component Budget Changes**

**From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor**

*All dollars in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2002 Authorized</b>	1,476.7	0.0	0.0	1,476.7
<b>Proposed budget increases:</b>				
-Increased Prisoner Transports & New Jail Openings	70.0	0.0	45.0	115.0
<b>FY2003 Governor</b>	<b>1,546.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>1,591.7</b>